

Appl. No. 10/710,111
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Please reconsider the application in view of the following remarks. Claims 1-46 were originally filed in this application. In the office action it is contended that the claims contain three patentably distinct species consisting of:

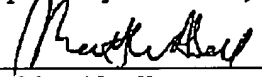
- 1) Figures 5A [&] 6A – fluid restrictor in the perforation;
- 2) Figures 5B & 5C – fluid restrictor outside of the perforation;
- 3) Figures 5E, 6C & 6D – fluid restrictor inside and outside of the perforation.

Applicant traverses this election and under requirement elects the species 1 (Figures 5A & 6A) for prosecution on the merits. Applicant believes that claims 1-6 and 9-45 are readable on Figures 5A & 6A, and that claims 1, 25 and 39 are generic.

No fees are believed to be due at this time. However, please apply any charges not covered, or any credits, to Deposit Account 19-0610 (Reference Number 20.2828).

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